

**MI Child Support Formula - Child Support Proposal-Opposed!**

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I am a single mother trying to raise a son and provide a life style for him that he is comfortable in. Issues at hand I feel are a serious problem and are being over looked:

First and foremost are the kids welfare. I have a deadbeat ex, who was content as could be, when he was paying me \$46.50 a week and he was making \$75.00 per hour(150K per year). This showed me he really cared about his son. I had a ton of medical bills from a very sick son, I was unemployed and paying exorbitant amount of attorney fees to continue to fight my ex-husband at every battle he came up with. Michael Cox states he is going to clamp down on Deadbeat Dad's (won't be seen). Clinton said the same thing, there is no change from what took place 25 years ago. My ex never saw a day in jail for not paying what he was ordered and cost me a ton of money to find out he was working.

Second, women are often working two jobs to keep their families going (women still average 20K less a yr. then men). The living expenses are fixed and now you are going to take more money away from the mother and make it more difficult for her to give to the family. I see welfare rising out of this! Who will pay more? We the tax payers. Who will suffer, the kids when they are with mom.

Third, buying men to have a relationship with their kids. In many cases they don't even want the relationship. I have seen so many cases over the past 15 years of dating, where the father would pick up his kids and turn them over to a baby sitter or family member so we could go out or away. I have run across a few men in my lifetime that genuinely care to really spend the time with the kids when they have them. Under this plan, you entice the father to take the child by financially rewarding him. The more time he spends with the kids the greater the financial reward, (something is wrong there)!

Fourth, you have a state that has already made as many cut backs as possible in every facet of Government Departments to get MI in the black. They are operating with a backlog of complaints, taking up to eight weeks,(Oakland County) to get a case in front of the FOC. Now you are going to entice 850,000 men to apply for an increase in parenting time/decrease in support. The courts can't handle this, who is going to handle this? How are you going to monitor to make certain dad actually took the kids 52 overnights and they were at dads?

If this passes I will move out of this state. I am starting to think you are stripping the women of everything, her family and money.

A very mad mother if this passes!  
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